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The Adventures of Ordinary Boy “*The Hero Revealed*”  
  
The genre of this novel fiction and is authored and illustrated by William Boniface and Stephan Gilpin. This story is about a boy living in a world full of superheroes. He goes by “Ordinary Boy”, O. Boy for short. Him and his friends are on a quest to collect all 64 Amazing Indestructo cards. The cards were the latest products of the “Amazing Indestructo” which O. Boy idolizes. Ordinary Boy and his friends/classmates found all cards but one, Prof. Brain Drain card. They looked all over for the card and they soon find out that Prof. Brain Drain himself is on the loose. O. Boy and his friends then attempt to find the last and stop Prof. Brain Drain’s evil plans.  
  
I’m not really sure about what the author’s message is but I’m thinking the author is trying to tell me is that an ordinary boy can still reign victory against a more superior person by using their brain. I am reading this text because I got interested when I first saw the cover of the book. I decided to read a couple pages and it really got me interested. This book gave me a bit of challenge too because it had a lot of pages which I’m not really a good reader which gave me the challenge of finishing the whole book.  
  
The key words to this story are amazing indestructo, superheroes, super powers, cards, and plans. Amazing Indestructo is a key word because it’s the product name of Ordinary Boy’s idol. Superheroes and super powers are key word because this book is a super hero book and without those words this book wouldn’t be a super hero book. Cards is a key word because that is what Ordinary Boy and his friends are looking for. Plans is a key word because Ordinary Boy and his friends attempted to stop Prof. Brain Drain’s plans. The key names to this story are Ordinary Boy, league of ultimate goodness, league of goodness, and league of major villains. Ordinary Boy, the league of ultimate goodness and league of goodness is a key name because he is the protagonists of the story. League of major Villains are key names because they are the Antagonist of the story. I chose those key names because they were the main characters in the story. The key places to this story are prison, laboratory, hideout, Super polis. They are key places because it was where the story mostly took place.  
  
The organizational feature that helped me read this novel was that there were titles/sub-headings in every chapter which gave me some thoughts of what I may be reading next and helped me come up with predictions like What’s going to happen next?, Who is that?, What is he going to do?. There wasn’t really any organization feature that gave me any problems with my reading.  
  
I can relate to this story to this wrestling match I once watched years ago that is still in my memory. There was a very small person but he was fast and intelligent and he was going against a big strong person that was way superior and very strong but slow and stupid. Everyone that was watching the match live and on television thought the small person was going to lose without a doubt but they thought wrong. The small person reigned victory against a superior person compared to him because he used his speed compared to his and used his intelligence. It was just like how an Ordinary boy without powers in the story defeated Prof. Brain Drain and his plans by using his human strength and his intelligence.  
  
I had an ah-ha moment when I asked myself Who is that hero in front of the cover of the book? I then kept reading the book until I found out who the hero was. Finally in the second chapter the book introduced the hero’s name, power, and limitations. The story also introduced other characters in the story. My questions in this story were Why did Ordinary Boy attempt to stop a villains plans without any powers? Why were O. Boy and his classmates/friends  trying to collect all 64 amazing indestructo cards in the first place? Why did Ordinary boy attempt to stop Prof. Brain Drain’s plans? My connection to this story was Ordinary Boy and his friends tried to collect all 64 amazing indestructo cards because it was the latest product his idol produced just like how all children worldwide once attempt to collect all Pokémon / Yu-Gi-Oh! / Sports Cards and probably still are collecting cards because they were the latest products sold for children.